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Sir:

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

- 1. I hereby petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified case, on the basis that a proper response to the Office Action forming the basis of the abandonment was timely filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (U.S.P.T.O.).
- 2. I hereby state that a proper response (in the form of an election of species for the above-identified application) was timely filed in the U.S.P.T.O. on June 16, 2004. As proof of the facsimile transmission of the response by counsel and the receipt by the U.S.P.T.O., enclosed are copies of the following documents:
 - (a) The response to the Office Action of May 27, 2004 (a requirement for an election of species) electing Group I, that is signed and dated June 16, 2004 (as Exhibit "A");
 - (b) a transmittal form bearing the application number, filing date, name of the first named inventor, art unit, and Examiner's name, that is also signed and dated June 16, 2004 (as Exhibit "B"):

- (c) Assignee (Gateway's) facsimile cover sheet addressed to the U.S.P.T.O. Examiner for this application and identifying the application by application number, and inventor name. The cover sheet further bears a certificate of facsimile transmission to (703) 872-9306 of the same date as the amendment by Gayle Bekish (as Exhibit "C"). Ms. Bekish is no longer employed by Gateway, Inc.;
- (d) the facsimile report generated by the transmitting fax at Gateway bearing the date and time of transmission, a reproduced portion of the cover page of the fax transmission, and which also indicates "TRANSMISSION OK" of aforementioned three pages (as Exhibit "D");
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- 3. In consideration of these submissions, it is respectfully requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn, the enclosed response be considered as having been timely made, and the amendment considered in the prosecution of this case.

It is not believed that the payment of any fees is necessary for the acceptance of these papers, but in the case that fees are required for the acceptance of this response, the U.S.P.T.O. is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0439.

Respectfully submitted,

Gateway, Inc.

By Of '

Date: April 7, 2005

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